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NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

Washburn Crosby Flour.
Farm for Sale—A. M. Tacy.
You're Wise—Wilson & King.
In Hot Weather—Hanovers.
Only Five Days—E. N. Randall.
If you Want—Horace I. Woods.
Clerk Wanted—L. Pease & Son.

Weather Record.

At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week ending Aug. 17, 1892.

	Highest.	Lowest
Thursday.....	80	61
Friday.....	85	58
Saturday.....	68	55
Sunday.....	67	58
Monday.....	71	49
Tuesday.....	80	47
Wednesday.....	81	52

NEWS ABOUT HOME.

—The Academy opens for its fall term on the 30th inst.

—The Baby Pathfinder Guide for August 15 is out and contains the very latest of interest to the traveling public.

—Judge Wheeler of the United States district court will hold a special session of that court at the court house in St. Johnsbury, Wednesday, Aug. 31, at 9 a. m., at which persons can be naturalized.

—Fifteen candidates presented themselves before Examiner Taylor here last week for teachers' certificates. Eight of them were from St. Johnsbury, two from Danville, and one each from Waterford, Barnet, Hardwick, Sheffield and Burke.

—The Y. M. C. A. meeting on Sunday afternoon was pleasingly varied, both instrumental and vocal music being furnished by the blind girls from the Perkins Institute, assisted by Miss Gorham. Secretary Lewis addressed the meeting, on the leprosy of sin.

—The band concert in Court House square last Saturday evening was a fine affair of course, and a large crowd of people enjoyed and applauded the music. The anvil chorus and Mr. Felch's piccolo solo were the features, and the audience insisted on a repetition of both.

—The United States Investor of Boston has begun to write up a complete history of the Georgia-Alabama swindle and promises to give all the inside facts connected with the scheme. A year ago this would have been mighty interesting reading for a good many St. Johnsbury people, but now there are only two stockholders in town.

—The Seventeenth Regiment Vermont Volunteers is to have a reunion at Montpelier August 25, which will include a business meeting and a general good time. An effort will be made to correct the roster, and comrades are urged to bear this in mind. E. L. Wells of Lyndonville is secretary of this organization.

—The check lists are duly posted in the usual places. Every voter should make sure that his name is properly recorded, so that he may not be shut out of the proceedings of Sept. 6. The board of civil authority meet next Saturday, at the town clerk's office, to revise the list and make any additions or corrections that may be found necessary.

—W. H. Bayley of the Mt. View House at Peacham is entertaining a goodly number of people this summer—all of whom are delighted with the splendid scenery which abounds in and about that fine old town. Mr. Bayley was in town on Monday with a party of his guests, showing them the St. Johnsbury sights.

—The Boston and Maine road has announced special rates of fare for parties attending the exhibition of the Stanstead Live Stock Association at Stanstead Plain, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 23-25. The round trip ticket from St. Johnsbury is put at \$1.60 and from other stations on the Passumpsic division at an equally low rate. Tickets good going Aug. 22 to 25, and return not after Aug. 26.

—Messrs. Cooke and Parlin of the St. Johnsbury Band are at Newport this week, helping to furnish music for the attendants on the Horse Breeders' meeting there. W. H. Herrick is spending this week at St. Johnsbury Park, as the guest of A. A. Smith. They will all return, however, in season for next Saturday evening's band concert.

—G. W. Leitch, the Ceylon missionary, who is a Ryegate gentleman, had charge of the matter of enter-

tainment for strangers at the recent Knights Templar conclave at Denver, and was very successful. He purposes carrying on a similar enterprise at the World's Fair, and the income from that source will be devoted to missionary work. Comfortable entertainment will be a thing that visitors to the big fair will especially desire, and Mr. Leitch will no doubt reap a bountiful harvest if he carries out his hospitable designs.

—Some of our people seem not to understand exactly the hours at which the Athenæum is open; and for their benefit and the information of strangers we would say that the Athenæum is never closed at noon, that it is open every week day from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., and that the Art Gallery is open to visitors during any of the library hours, although in winter it is heated only two days in the week—Tuesday and Friday. The library is also open Tuesday and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9 p. m.

LOCAL POLITICS.

The republican caucus to nominate a town representative will be held in Town Hall next Saturday afternoon at 5.30. Besides the two candidates mentioned in our previous issue, Hon. Henry C. Ide and Capt. P. D. Blodgett, the names of Delos M. Bacon and W. P. Stafford have also been mentioned for the place.

The democrats will hold their caucus on Monday evening in the hall over the Merchants Bank. The democrats have about decided to run Major N. P. Bowman, and they have selected one of their strongest men and a popular man throughout town.

Our people are taking an unusual interest in local politics and at this writing it looks as if we should have an interesting contest for town representative.

A certificate of nomination has been filed by about a dozen citizens, irrespective of party, nominating Wendell P. Stafford. The following letter from Mr. Stafford explains his position on the weekly payment question:

EDITOR CALEDONIAN:—Having been nominated by a certificate of "Citizens" as a candidate for representative to the General Assembly, and having been frequently asked to state my position upon the question of "weekly payments," I wish to make a public answer to such inquiries, believing that voters have a right to know what they may expect from their servants when elected.

A law has been in force in Massachusetts since 1887 which requires the weekly payment of wages by "every manufacturing, mining or quarrying, mercantile, railroad, street railway, telephone and telegraph corporation, every incorporated express company and water company." It will be noticed that the law has no application to farmers, storekeepers, partnerships and the like, but applies to corporations only. I understand that the practical operation of this law has been beneficial, and I believe in its justice and expediency. If I am elected I shall use my best efforts to secure the passage of such a statute by our legislature.

Yours truly,
WENDELL P. STAFFORD.
St. Johnsbury, Vt., Aug. 18, 1892.

ON THE DIAMOND.

The Home Team Defeated in a Loose Game, 6 to 1.

"We are playing this game," curtly replied a member of the St. Johnsbury team on Tuesday, when asked if it was wise to take so many chances against big odds. But he was wrong. St. Johnsbury never did less ball playing than with the Lebanons on that day, and could not expect to win on any such record. Outside of Shufelt's excellent work in the box and a couple of double plays, interesting features were scarce, and it became evident early in the game that the home team was decidedly off. The two regularly chosen, but rather weak, umpires were generously assisted by three or four players on each side, and as for coaches—the field was full of them. In contrast with the splendid work done in the previous game on the campus, this one was decidedly wearisome, neither team showing to advantage.

Lebanons 5—St. Johnsbury 0.

A still worse fate fell to the lot of the St. Johnsbury in yesterday's game, and not a run did they make. They were unable to find the ball, while the visitors scored one in the first inning, two in the fifth and two in the 7th. Meigs' work in left field cut off several runs and was appreciated; Bannan covered first base and Tuxbury second. The home team was decidedly weak at the bat, and Shufelt was hit freely. St. Johnsbury needs reinforcement to do anything with a professional team like the Lebanons.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Principal C. E. Putney and wife are at Old Orchard for a few days.

Miss Nellie Gracie of Brattleboro is stopping at Daniel Colman's.

Miss Bertha Shafter of San Francisco is visiting Mrs. T. M. Howard.

Mrs. C. L. Goodell of Boston is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. M. Stone. C. C. Bingham and wife are rusticated for a fortnight at St. Leon Springs.

A. C. Harlow and wife of Montpelier are in town this week on a visit to friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bagley have been recreating at Old Orchard and Peak's Island.

Miss Lola E. Calderwood of Greensboro is visiting Mrs. E. J. Hallett and daughter.

C. M. Spencer and wife are at Kennebunk Beach, Me., for a fortnight's pleasure trip.

Secretary George H. Hale of the Northampton Y. M. C. A. is in town. Mrs. Hale is with him.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Forsyth have returned to Barre. Mr. Forsyth will find employment at his old trade of granite cutting.

Miss Mattie Preston pleasantly entertained a number of her young friends on Thursday evening last with a "doll's party."

Carl A. Ross of Lower Waterford, who was graduated from the Academy in the class of '91, will enter Harvard College this fall.

Miss Etta M. Newell is spending a few weeks in Barton as stenographer to F. W. Baldwin, chairman of the republican state committee.

Miss Alice M. Porter is now at Chelsea, Mass., on a visit to friends, and will go thence to Springfield, where she will visit her father, William M. Porter.

Rev. Josiah Tyler preached at the Newport Congregational church on Sunday morning, and in the evening addressed a union meeting on the subject of missions.

Prof. Walter Bridgman and family were in town Wednesday en route to Greensboro, where they will spend some time. Prof. Bridgman is professor of Greek at Lake Forest (Ill.) College.

Geo. N. Smith, who had been a resident of St. Johnsbury for nearly 40 years, died on Saturday at his home on the Crow hill road. A wife and two children, Orville H. and Mrs. C. P. French, survive him.

Prof. F. W. Phelps, now of Oakland, Cal., paid old friends a flying visit last week. Prof. Phelps is on his way to California to accept a position in the Pacific Theological Seminary.

Our former townsman, E. G. Humphrey, is working in the Boston office of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Humphrey has just completed his new house at Winter Hill, Somerville, and has started to build another.

Rev. C. M. Lamson is to preach the sermon before the triennial conference of the Congregational Council at Minneapolis on the evening of Oct. 12 next. The delegate to that body from the Caledonia Conference is Rev. Henry Fairbanks of this place.

Charles D. Hazen has declined the offer to become instructor in history at Dartmouth College and expects to go to John Hopkins University at Baltimore to take a year's course in history and political economy. Mr. Hazen studied at Johns Hopkins before he went abroad.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Parker of India, who have been in St. Johnsbury for a short time, are to be present at the session of the Winnepesaukee Camp Meeting Association at the Weirs this week, and will speak concerning missions.

Edmund Swett Chadwick died at Webster, N. H., August 2d, aged 83 years. Deceased was a brother of the late A. G. Chadwick, who established the CALEDONIAN. In early life he was editor of the New Hampshire Observer, the Temperance Herald and the White Mountain Torrent.

Col. Geo. B. M. Harvey, a Peacham boy, succeeds Ballard Smith as editor of the New York World. Col. Harvey was at one time connected with the CALEDONIAN, and has many friends in this county who will congratulate him on his success in the newspaper field.

Frank Little, formerly of St. Johnsbury, is president of the Kalamazoo County Pioneer Association, in Michigan, and made an address at a big meeting. This gathering has come to be looked upon as the greatest social event of the year in that county.

Gen. Manager A. A. Robinson of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad was in town on Monday and Tuesday, with his family, and they were the guests of E. F. Brown. Mr. Robinson was delighted with St. Johnsbury and did not hesitate to speak admiringly of its general attractiveness.

Charles Williams, a graduate of St. Johnsbury Academy, class of '84, and Williams '88, has been engaged as principal of the Littleton, (N. H.) high school. Mr. Williams is a son of Rev. J. K. Williams of Peacham; he was at one time principal of the Lyndon graded school, and for the past year has been at the head of the school at White River Junction.

Hon. S. W. McCall of Winchester, Mass., is one of the aspirants for the republican congressional nomination in the Eighth Massachusetts district. He has represented his town in the legislature three years and has been looked upon as the party leader on the floor of the house. Mr. McCall married a Lyndon lady and has many friends in this section who believe he would make an excellent congressman.

CHURCH NOTES.

At the Railroad street Baptist church on Sunday evening next Rev. T. R. Stratton will deliver the fifth sermon in the series on Bible characters; subject, "A successful and pure life stained and a beautiful character tarnished by the foul blot of polygamy." All invited.

The sermons at the North church last Sunday, both morning and evening, were the outcome of Rev. Mr. Lamson's recent attendance on the conference in Northfield, Mass. In the morning he spoke concerning the claims which man has upon God and the former's duty in urging those claims; in the evening he spoke on the theme, "Be perfectly natural." Both sermons were practical, helpful and direct in their application, and in passing the speaker gave his hearers an interesting word picture of the great annual conference of Christian workers.

Presiding Elder Hamilton preached at the Methodist church on Sunday, in the absence of the pastor.

Rev. A. I. Davis will occupy his pulpit at the Free Baptist church next Sunday. Subject, "Future reward an Incentive to Diligence."

THE ANNUAL MUSTER.

This assembly of the Vermont troops for drill and discipline occurs at Montpelier next week, beginning Tuesday the 23d and closing on the 27th.

Muster is an occasion looked forward to with "great expectations" by a majority of the militia, and in view of the anticipated trip to the World's Fair next year, the boys will have a good deal to talk about and much planning to do at Montpelier. Capt. H. S. Foster of the regular army is to be the inspecting officer. The 26th, on which date occurs the review of the troops by Gov. Page, will of course be the big day of the muster.

ILLUSTRATED ASTRONOMY.

Those who attended the illustrated lecture on Saturn, given by Charles S. Hastings before the Natural History society last winter, will be especially interested to learn that he has carefully revised his story and that W. H. Sargent has made a new set of paintings, 12 in number, illustrating Saturn, Mars, the earth, Jupiter and other interesting views. Mr. Hastings purposes to give the "Story of Saturn" in this vicinity this winter and is now making engagements. Before and after the address he will show the planets and the other heavenly bodies through a high power telescope.

THE SUPREME COURT AND THE NEW BALLOT LAW.

Gov. Page called the supreme court together at Hyde Park to make plain some points in the new ballot law; but the court decided that it could not properly consider the matter.

BIG FIRE AT MCINDOES.

The Connecticut River Lumber Company Sustain a Big Loss

Fire was discovered in the box shop of the Connecticut River Lumber Company at McIndoes at 1.30 Tuesday morning. Before the alarm could be given the whole box shop was ablaze and for the next six hours the flames devoured the big piles of lumber where were stored from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 feet, most of which was already sold. The loss is from \$50,000 to \$60,000 and the insurance \$30,000.

The fire was discovered by Night Watchman Emery. He visits the box shop every hour of the night and had gone down to the mill to eat his lunch. As soon as he saw the light he hastened to the box shop, but before he reached there it was all on fire. The alarm was quickly given, but with no means of fighting fire the people were powerless to stop the progress of the flames. Help was summoned from Barnet, Woodsville, St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville.

The Barnet company drove down in 30 minutes and were the first firemen to arrive. The St. Johnsbury company were ready to go at 3 o'clock, but were delayed here two hours because there were no flat cars in the yard. Chief Bragg and about 50 firemen, with the Deluge engine and Hose cart No. 5, and the Tiger engine and hose cart from Lyndonville with about 25 men, reached McIndoes at about 5 o'clock, and together with Barret and the Woodsville companies did valiant service. About all they could do was to deluge the houses adjoining the lumber yard, which would undoubtedly have been burned if the engines had not been there, and even then the house belonging to the Sullivan estate caught fire once. Fortunately there was no wind to drive the flames towards the river where the company's mill is situated, or towards the village which lies west of the lumber yards. There was also a dense fog, and the houses were covered with dew. It was over 12 hours before the big piles of lumber had burned up, and Wednesday night the timber was still smoldering.

The cause of the fire is unknown, though incendiarianism is hinted at. From the fact that it caught so soon after the watchman was in the box shop, and only a few hours after Supt. Philo Van Dyke had started for Beattie, Me., some think it was set. If it was not set it probably caught from a hot box in the machinery, a frequent cause of fires in mills.

The Connecticut River Lumber Company is one of the largest in New England and has mills at six places along the Connecticut river. They will rebuild the box shop, though for a time their business here will be greatly hindered. The mill was built in 1876 and this is the first fire they have had here.

The insurance on the property was \$30,000. George M. Stevens & Son of Lancaster carried \$10,000 as follows: Royal Insurance Co. of Liverpool, \$2500; Pennsylvania Fire Insurance Co. of Philadelphia, \$1500; Granite State of Portsmouth, N. H., \$2500; Hamburg Bremen of Germany, \$1000; Travellers Mutual of Concord, N. H., \$500; Peoples of Manchester, \$1000; Queen of America, \$1000. P. D. Blodgett & Co. of St. Johnsbury carried \$20,000 in these companies: Springfield of Springfield, \$2500; Phoenix of Hartford, \$2500; North American of Philadelphia, \$2500; Etua of Hartford, \$2500; Guardian of London, \$1500; American of New York, \$2500; Home of New York, \$2500; Continental of New York, \$1000; Mechanics and Traders of New York, \$1500; Hartford of Hartford, \$1000.

THE HORSE BREEDERS AT NEWPORT.

The sixth annual exhibition and races of the Eastern Vermont Association of Road and Trotting Breeders opened auspiciously at Newport on Tuesday. Weather most beautiful, track in the finest possible condition and a fair attendance for opening. There are some two hundred entries in all classes, and the judges pronounce the premium class of a higher standard than ever before shown. Only two races Tuesday. In the yearling contest there were seven entries, but the principal strife was between "Pineland Clad," owned by E. J. Tinker of Beebe Plain, and McAlroy, owned by F. B. Lang of Newport. McAlroy took two heats half mile and won first money; "Pineland" second and "Atherstone," owned by J. A. Knowlton, third. Time, 1.38 1/4.

In the 2.42 class "Joe B.," owned by G. D. Pratt of Newport, won first money in three straight heats; "Dartmouth," owned at Highland

Stock Farm," Derby, second; "Phantom," owned by John Utton, Morrisville, third. Time, 2.35. Very close races were to follow, in which "Gov. Hendee," "Charley Roy," "Nutmont," "Mondame," "Kati-sha," "Lyndon Boy" and others would participate.

A DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

L. B. Hartshorn of Summer street met with a distressing accident the other day. Moving about among the timbers of a building he is repairing, he stepped on a rusty nail, which penetrated his foot to a considerable distance—going nearly through, in fact—and injuring him so that he was unable to leave his bed for several days. At last accounts, however, he was improving and in a fair way to recover completely.

AT THE EAST VILLAGE.

Rev. Mr. Hertel and family are home from the beach and report a pleasant vacation.

Mr. Knight's daughter, Mrs. Robertson from Gilmantown, N. H., is at home for a few days.

Mrs. Cobleigh, a sister of the late Mrs. Adams, has been in the place for the past ten days, disposing of the household goods, furniture, etc. Mrs. Cobleigh will take her niece, Agnese Adams, to her home in Walla Walla, Washington, some time this month.

Ezra Gates was taken quite suddenly last week with trouble in one of his eyes, and fears are entertained of the total loss of the sight of it. A consultation of two physicians on Saturday was held, but not decided whether it would be necessary to remove the eye to insure the safety of the other, till later.

Curtis Gates from Lyndon was at his brother Ezra's on Saturday, also Ed. and Tabor, sons of Ezra, were over from Littleton.

Several from this place are going to Newport this week to attend the Horse Breeders' meeting.

Rufus Wood, a former resident, was a guest of George Copp over Sunday.

Rev. A. F. Hertel preaches at Chesterfield school house next Sunday at 2 o'clock. He will exchange with Rev. Edward T. Fairbanks in the morning.

Miss Abbie Smith, who was injured a week ago by being thrown from a horse rake, is improving slowly.

Rev. E. W. Parker, D. D., supplied the pulpit here Aug. 7, attending four services and speaking at each one in a most entertaining and instructive manner on India. Mr. and Mrs. Parker were the guests of Mrs. Calvin Morrill.

Mrs. Dennis Chase and her family and a few other friends have been camping out at Willoughby Lake.

FROM ST. JOHNSBURY CENTER.

The Christian Endeavor and Epworth League will hold a literary meeting in the M. E. church Friday evening at half-past seven. Everybody is invited. No admission will be charged.

Mrs. C. H. Powers and children have been visiting at H. C. Powers' the past week.

Mrs. B. Butler is spending a few weeks in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Mary Brewer Wentworth of Rochester, N. H., is visiting relatives in this place.

Miss E. B. Barnard of New York is visiting her sister, Mrs. Robinson. Walter Robbins has gone to New York for a few weeks.

E. O. Fenel returned Saturday from an outing of several weeks, at Lake Memphremagog.

Rev. J. Morse returned from Old Orchard last week much improved in health.

Wide Awake Grange will hold a picnic on Aug. 20, in C. J. Bowker's pine grove, above the Pierce paper mill.

Mrs. E. W. Miles and Master Raymond T. Miles of Washington, D. C., are stopping at Mrs. J. E. Pierce's.

There will be a District meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at the M. E. church at West Burke, beginning Tuesday evening, Aug. 23d, with an address by Miss Miner, a deaconess from Washington, D. C., and closing Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 24. The exercises on Wednesday will consist of papers and addresses on the different phases of the work. A cordial invitation to all who can attend.